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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 AND 1.98**

Dear Sir:

A. (1) Applicant hereby discloses the following Foreign Patent Document  
pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98:

	<u>Publication No.</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Inventor</u>
1.	European search report, 04005048.6-1231,	July 9, 2004	TSUBAKIMOTO
2.	EP 0919743A1	June 2, 1999	Toshio
3.	EP 1319865	June 18, 2003	Komiya
4.	US 6,349,534	February 26, 2002	Zanolla
5.	GB 2,365 505	February 20, 2002	Hart

B. Copies of the patents and literature are included herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

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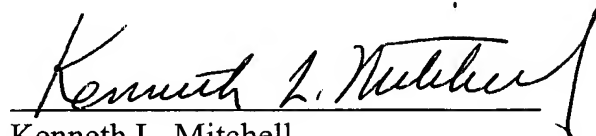
C. Explanation of Relevance pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98.

1. European search report 04005048.6-1231 dated July 9, 2004 discloses the following documents
2. EP 0919743A1 published June 2, 1999 to Toshio discloses a guide and support chain for flexible tubes.
3. EP 1319865 published June 18, 2003 to Komiya discloses a closed cable drag chain.
4. US 6,349,534 published February 26, 2002 to Zanolla discloses a metal composite cable carrier.
5. GB 2,365 505 published February 20, 2002 to Hart discloses a cable/hose handling chain having a plastic body with a metal insert.

No fee is believed due as this information disclosure statement is being timely filed. Please charge deposit account 23-3060 if any fee deficiency exists.

Respectfully submitted,

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